



**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AUSTIN, TEXAS
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: Regional Directors
Directors, Local Health Departments
Directors, Independent WIC Local Agencies
Herman Horn, Chief, Bureau of Regional/Local Health Operations

FROM: Barbara Keir, Director
Division of Public Health Nutrition and Education
Bureau of Nutrition Services

DATE: December 1, 1999

SUBJECT: Formula Conference Calls

The state agency would like to offer an opportunity for local agency staff to participate in a bimonthly conference call provided by Roxanne Robison, Children with Special Health Care Needs Nutrition Consultant, on formula issues and updated information. This will be particularly beneficial to the "formula approval" staff at your local agency, but all CPA's are welcome to listen.

Our first effort will be December 30, 1999 at 10-1 1:30 a.m., and then again at 1-2:30 p.m. We plan to do this in shifts with half of you assigned to the morning call and half assigned to the afternoon call. This will allow us time to take questions. We recognize that many staff will be gone during this time, especially after the Y2K plan of having the workload completed by December 28th, but we do plan to tape it and have it available upon request.

This first conference call will be a discussion of a child who continues to have a milk allergy past one year of age, and what food package and formula should be issued. We are attaching a comparison of toddler soy milk, Prosobee, and whole milk. We will also discuss potential topics for the coming year. Attached is a list of topics the nutritionists at the state office generated. Please rank them in order of your preference. If you have any "hot" topic suggestions to add to the list, please note them under "other." We are looking forward to the opportunity to spotlight Ms. Robison's vast knowledge and experience. If you have any questions, please contact Patti Fitch, Clinical Nutrition Coordinator, at 5 12-458-7444. Please return this form to Ms. Fitch by December 20, 1999.

To connect to the teleconference on December 30, dial 512-463-1928. Then enter: 1 501 496# (don't forget to enter the pound number at the end)

**Projects # 1— 53 Assigned to 10:00 -11:30 time slot
Projects #54-106 Assigned to 1:00 -2:30 time slot**

If this time interferes with local agency plans, please let us know and we will move you to the other time slot. We would like to try to keep up with the changes because we have only 50 lines for each time slot.

Attachments

**Composition Comparison of Next Step Soy, Prosobee, and Whole Cow's milk per 100
Calories (5 ounces)**

	Next Step Soy (Powder)	Prosobee	Whole Cow's Milk
Protein, g	3.3	2.5	5
Fat, g	4.4	5.3	5
Carbohydrate, g	11.8	10.6	7
Linoleic Acid, mg.	760	860	112

Vitamins

Vitamin A, IU	300	300	192
Vitamin D, IU	60	60	63
Vitamin E, IU	2	2	.12
Vitamin K, ug	8	8	5
Thiamine, ug	80	80	58
Riboflavin, ug	90	90	248
Vitamin B6, g	90	60	65
Vitamin B 12, ug	0.3	0.3	310
Niacin, ug	1000	1000	129
Folic Acid, ug	16	16	7.5
Pant. Acid, ug	500	500	479
Biotin, ug	3	3	4.5
Vitamin C, mg	12	12	1.4
Choline, mg	12	12	18
Inositol, mg	17	6	5.8
L-Camitine, mg	2	2	

Minerals

Calcium, mg	115	105	180
Phosphorus, mg	90	83	140
Magnesium, mg	8	11	21
Iron, mg	1.8	1.8	0.08
Zinc, mg	1.2	1.2	0.58
Manganese, ug	25	25	3.37
Copper, ug	7.5	75	20
Iodine, ug	15	15	6.4
Selenium, ug	2.8	2.8	—
Sodium, mg	45	36	75
Potassium, mg	150	120	230
Chloride, mg	100	80	150

Topics for Formula Conference Calls

Local Agency #_____

Rank the topics with **#1** being your highest priority, **#2** being your second, etc.
Please add topics you would like covered in the coming year.

Return to: Patti Fitch, Clinical Nutrition Coordinator
Bureau of Nutrition Services
1100 W. 49th St., Austin, TX 78756
or Fax to: (512) 458-7446

_____ Milk Allergy - why you shouldn't try an infant on a soy formula or lactose free milk based formula when diagnosed with a milk allergy

_____ Legitimate use of 999 codes and other formula issuing issues

_____ Human milk fortifiers and formula for premature infants

_____ Reconstitution of formulas in powder form that yield **fewer** ounces. How do we get extra formula through Medicaid? How to concentrate formulas.

_____ How to issue Pediasure with and without fiber during the same month. Or pudding and formula?

_____ Formula Policy revisions - based on comments received **from** the LA's

_____ Assessments for formula issuance

_____ Other: _____

_____ Other: _____
